

ON LINE TRAINING

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I. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS AND GUIDELINES

The goal of law enforcement training and education programs is to enable officers to develop and maintain the skills, attitude and good judgment necessary for the effective performance of their duties.

Although the Massachusetts Municipal Police Training Committee (MPTC) is statutorily charged with approving a prescribed course of study for in-service officers' training, the MPTC recognizes that other valuable training sources are also available to municipal police departments.

The MPTC has determined that the Municipal Police Institute, Inc. (MPI) has demonstrated a high degree of professionalism in its on-line programming content. It uses recognized experts in municipal law enforcement training, as well as MPTC instructors and courses.

The MPI Distance Learning system has been accepted for in-service training credit by the Council. Individual courses are submitted to and subsequently approved by the MPTC for such credit.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of this department to utilize in service training on an annual basis through the MPTC.

- A. Implement MPI Distance Learning (on line) training throughout the department when necessary
- B. Encourage the regular use of MPI training to achieve the maximum benefit from this resource;
- C. Ensure appropriate documentation and testing; and
- D. Use MPI's web site as a source of reliable news and information to help keep personnel up-to-date on law enforcement's current events and legal issues.

III. PROCEDURE: TRAINING OFFICER

- 1) **GENERALLY:** The Training Officer will coordinate in-service training, maintain training records and submit to the MPTC, if and when requested, individual officer training records in such form as the MPTC may prescribe. (The Training Officer may alternatively be called the Training Supervisor or Training Coordinator and may, but need not, be the Chief.)